

In the Claims

1-20 (canceled)

21 (previously presented). A purified or isolated polypeptide comprising the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 97.

22 (previously presented). The polypeptide of claim 21, wherein said polypeptide consists of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 97.

23 (previously presented). An isolated or purified polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 182 of SEQ ID NO: 97.

24 (previously presented). The polypeptide of claim 23, wherein said polypeptide consists of amino acids 1 to 182 of SEQ ID NO: 97.

25 (previously presented). A purified or isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence encoded by the insert from deposited clone 108-004-5-0-G6-FL in ATCC accession number 98921.

26 (previously presented). The polypeptide of claim 21, wherein said polypeptide belongs to the C-type lectin family.

27 (currently amended). The polypeptide ~~of any~~ of claim 22, wherein said polypeptide belongs to the C-type lectin family.

28 (currently amended). The polypeptide ~~of any~~ of claim 23, wherein said polypeptide belongs to the C-type lectin family.

29 (currently amended). The polypeptide ~~of any of~~ claim 24, wherein said polypeptide belongs to the C-type lectin family.

30 (currently amended). The polypeptide ~~of any of~~ claim 25, wherein said polypeptide belongs to the C-type lectin family.

31-34 (canceled).

35 (currently amended). A method of making a polypeptide according to claims 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, or 30, 31, 32, 33, or 34, comprising the steps of:

- a) obtaining a cDNA encoding a polypeptide according to claims 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, or 30, 31, 32, 33 or 34;
- b) inserting said cDNA in an expression vector such that said cDNA is operably linked to a promoter; and
- c) introducing said expression vector into a host cell whereby said host cell produces the protein encoded by said cDNA.

36 (previously presented): The method of claim 35, further comprising the step of isolating said polypeptide.